SENATE BILL 3292 By Fowler

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-2109, relative to school buses.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

- SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-2109, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subsection thereto:
 - () The board shall permit the use of transit style school buses for a twenty-fiveyear period based upon the following conditions:
 - (1) Any bus with over twenty (20) years of use receives a certified inspection by a certified mechanic or is inspected by the commissioner or the commissioner's designee at least twice annually;
 - (2) At such inspections, the inspector shall have the authority to require repairs or reconditioning to be made which the inspector considers necessary for the continued safe use and operation of the bus. If the local authority or owner refuses to take the required action or if the inspector considers continued use of the bus to be unsafe, the inspector shall order its removal from service;
 - (3) Notice and waiver provisions are executed for extra-curricular activities; and
 - (4) Notice and waiver provisions are executed by a parent or legal guardian of each student the bus transports.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006, the public welfare requiring it.